Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Minutes			
Committee	Utah Board of Juvenile Justice Annual Meeting		
Date Time Location	Thursday, October 20, 2011 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Utah State Capitol Complex, Senate Bldg., Copper Room		
Location	Gran Grane Gapitor Complex, Genate Blug., Copper Noon		
Members Present	Gaby Anderson, Pat Berckman, Charri Brummer, Adam Cohen, Patrick Garcia, , Maria Garciaz, Gini Highfield, Kaisa Kinikini, Spencer Larsen, Judge Michie, Van Nguyen, Troy Rawlings, Shirlee Silversmith		
Members Excused	Karen Crompton, Maxwell Jackson, James Marchel, Rachael Skidmore, Russ Van Vleet, Pam Vickrey		
Members Absent	Craig Dearden, Princess Gutierrez		
Staff	Reg Garff, Ron Gordon, Jo Lynn Kruse, Cuong Nguyen, David Walsh		
Visitors	Nick Browning, Susan Burke, Lisa-Michele Church, Matt Davis, Brent Platt, Neira Siaperas, Mike Tanana		
Agenda Item	Welcome and Approval of Minutes		
Notes	Adam Cohen called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Judge Michie made the motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. Maria Garciaz seconded the motion which passed unanimously . Officer Elections – Reg asked for nominations for Post-Adjudicated Committee Vice Chair, DMC Chair and Title V Vice Chair. Gini Highfield nominated Gaby Anderson for Title V Vice Chair. Pat		
	Berckman nominated Judge Michie for Post-Adjudicated Committee Vice Chair. Pat Berckman will remain as interim DMC Chair until a new Chair is elected. Gini Highfield made the motion to accept all three nominations. Maria Garciaz seconded the motion which passed unanimously . Kaisa Kinikini volunteered to be on the DMC Subcommittee.		
Agenda Item	CCJJ Accomplishments/Projects		
Notes	 Executive Director of CCJJ, Ron Gordon, spoke about CCJJ projects this past year. CCJJ spent \$6.8 million in federal grants and \$3.5 million in state grants for FY11. The Gang Mini-Grant and Crime Prevention Grant were combined to create the Gang Reduction Grant Program to deal with the gang issue in Utah. Ron thanked Matt Davis and Mike Tanana for their program evaluation work, which is an enormous help in determining evidence based practices, trends and effectiveness. The Department of Corrections administers an offender employment placement grant with ARRA money. Pharmaceutical Awareness Campaign with USAAV CCJJ received an increase in extraditions funding CCJJ receives asset forfeiture money which is then granted out for crime reduction CVR (Crime Victim Reparations) changed its name to OVC, Office of Victims of Crime. In an effort to remain solvent, some victim payments have been reduced. The Restitution Unit seeks restitution from offenders to pay crime victims. Protective Order System Re-write (database update): CCJJ received grant money to fund this upgrade. Our system Re-write (database update): CCJJ received grant money to fund this upgrade. Our system will now be able to provide information on protective orders via email and text. This method will reduce costs versus the old phone system. If the program works well, we might move exclusively to email and text notification. The program could also issue court date reminders. Projects for 2012 are the University of Utah's, Criminal Justice Center cost/benefit analysis and a review of best practices for mentally ill offenders. 		
Agenda Item	Statistical Report – Risk and Protective Factors in Utah		
Notes	Risk & Protective Factors in Utah – Matt Davis Matt and Mike organized the Risk and Protective Factors Information Tool (RAPIT) in a way that is useful for UBJJ to identify areas where kids are most at risk. But more than that be able to identify when those kids become at risk (what grade level) and specifically what risk and protective factors are		

most concerning. RAPIT now includes new data from 2011 as well as data from 2009, 2007, 2005 and 2003.

Matt reported on how kids are doing throughout the state and suggested target areas based on risk and protective factor survey results. Those geographical areas are: Tooele, Salt Lake, Weber/Morgan, and Four Corners. The data shows the best time to intervene and achieve the biggest difference for kids is *before* 8th grade. The data shows that Utah is doing better than other states and improving over time.

Existing Program Tool Demonstration – Mike Tanana

The idea behind this tool is to provide the means to help UBJJ make smart funding decisions. It allows users to see where programs already exist, to reduce duplication. We hope to have this posted to the UBJJ website, www.juvenile.utah.gov in December 2011. There are approximately 320 programs in the system now and it can be searched by list or geographic location. Program administrators will send out program update reminders to keep the system current.

Agenda Item

Systemic Priorities

Notes

DCFS - Brent Platt, Director DCFS

Brent briefly explained the audit and review from last year. The first was the Federal Child and Family Services Review, conducted by federal persons from Washington D.C. and the regional office in Denver. The review found the following strengths in Utah: DCFS has a fairly established practice model, great quality assurance, collaborates with families and agencies, and has manageable caseloads. Utah can improve standardizing in-home services and assessing risk on an ongoing basis, not just at the beginning of a case. And finally, parents need to be continually engaged.

The Legislative Performance Audit mirrored concerns of the federal review. It suggests more consistency statewide, and to recruit more foster homes for the more difficult kids. In January, when the report was done, it recommended centralizing intake, which has been completed.

What can UBJJ do to help? Seek funding for more grassroots programs, such as the Grandfamilies program, older teens in care program and mentoring programs, particularly for youth transitioning to adulthood.

Juvenile Court - Lisa-Michele Church, Juvenile Court Administrator

Lisa-Michele reported that last year 29,662 individuals and their families were served by 29 judges, 130 court clerks, and 174 probation officers. Eighty-nine percent of the cases were delinquency and eleven percent was child welfare. Ninety-two percent of the delinquency court cases are adjudicated within 45 days of the first hearing and 93% of the child welfare cases were adjudicated within 60 days of the first shelter hearing.

Lisa-Michele also discussed how court resources are used, ongoing challenges for juvenile court, and why kids come to court. One third of child welfare cases involve domestic violence. Other risk factors include substance abuse, and mental illness in the family. The juvenile court also works with youth who have committed delinquent offenses. The majority of those (94%) are misdemeanors, contempt, infractions, and status or traffic offenses. Felony offenses make up only 6% of the cases in juvenile court

Juvenile court lost 11.5 probation officer positions in FY10, 10.6 in FY11 and 8 in FY12. Juvenile court referrals have declined over the last three years. The reason(s) for that are unclear.

Lisa-Michele identified three areas of need: Public/Private partnerships, youth mentors and kin caregivers, as well as more programs for female youth offenders.

JJS – Susan Burke, Director

Susan reviewed the programs and services that Juvenile Justice Services provides, from receiving centers to aftercare. Utah has 13 receiving centers, 14 youth services locations, and 1 work camp.

Division challenges include an increase in the number of low-functioning and developmentally delayed youth, disproportionate representation of minorities throughout the system, a lack of gender-responsive services for females statewide, a greater demand for mental health treatment and medications, community support for transitioning youths and their families, providing services close to home, and

	maintaining a well-educated and competitively compensated workforce.		
	Susan's three goals are: Improve outcomes for kids, strengthen partnerships with community organizations and sister agencies, and ensure the safety, security and morale of the kids and employees in our system.		
	Susan closed with a poignant story about the positive impact that a youth mentor can be in a child's life and recommended UBJJ prioritize funding mentor programs		
Agenda Item	a Item Youth Advocate of the Year Award		
Notes	This year's recipient could not be with us today. The award will be presented at the Nov. meeting.		
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Agenda Item Notes	Review & Establish 2012 Funding Priorities The Board discussed funding priorities for 2012, making many suggestions.		
NOIES	Suggestions from the Board are:		
	Change priority one from children grades kindergarten through eight to children grades 6 – 8. Delete 1a.		
	Keep 1b, but change, "Identify at-risk families and provide them in-home support services designed to increase parent and family involvement" to "Develop new after-school programs designed to prevent delinquency, using evidence based practices."		
	Move 1d to the substance abuse section. Move number five (gender specific females) up to number two.		
	Add new program area of mentoring programs serving youth identified as at-risk with an emphasis on youth transitioning to adulthood. Delete 7		
	Item 3 - DMC will make recommendations at their annual meeting. 5c – Develop or expand effective substance abuse prevention programs for grades 5 – 8.		
	Reg will incorporate those changes and email them to the Board for review. A vote will then be taken at a future meeting.		
Agenda Item	DMC Accomplishments		
Notes	DMC Accomplishments – Pat Berckman		
	Pat outlined DMC's accomplishments for FY11:		
	 Completed Diversion Assessment Recruited six new DMC members 		
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Notes

OJJDP Fall Conference Review -

Van liked the conference very much and suggested that it would be good to have a curriculum in the schools on the importance of being a good citizen and obeying the law. Pat Berckman attended a session that talked about how "home-grown" programs work that use evidence based practices. Sessions of interest in Washington DC conference: Juvenile Indigent Defense, Family Engagement and Messaging. Father Boyle gave many inspiring quotes.

New FACJJ Update-

FACJJ used to have one member from every State Advisory Group (SAG). Now there are 14 regional areas with 14 members and 14 alternates. Our area is Idaho, Montana, Nebraska and Utah. Pat Berckman is our regional alternate. FACJJ will not to do annual reports anymore, but rather focus on the expertise of the group and divide into subcommittees to address issues identified by OJJDP. The subcommittees will meet by teleconference and give advice on pertinent issues. There will be one meeting per year. Alternates may attend at their own expense. If the primary FACJJ member cannot go, OJJDP should cover the expense for the alternate to attend.

UBJJ Accomplishments -

- Secured \$1.1 million in federal grant funds targeting juvenile justice in Utah
- Hosted a successful compliance audit by OJJDP
- Oversaw Utah's compliance with the four core requirements of the JJDPA
- Oversaw the activities of 17 subgrants
- Provided 85 scholarships for Utah based juvenile justice conferences
- The DMC subcommittee continued work addressing disparity in diversion for minority youth in Salt Lake, Utah and Weber counties.
- Secured \$50,000 grant from OJJDP to assess the disparity at the arrest/referral point of contact/began working closely with local police departments as part of this assessment
- Cultivated a collaborative relationship with Peace Officer Standards and Training while administering new community relations training curriculum/began using new curriculum in new communities beyond POST
- More than 1,100 7th & 8th graders submitted writings to Utah's Challenge to Do the Write Thing.
 That is 188 more than last year
- 16 school districts participated in Utah's Challenge to Do the Write Thing (up 6 from last year)
- 37 teachers participated in DTWT (19 more than last year)
- 2,927 7th & 8th graders participated in classroom discussions about youth violence (1,414 more than last year)
- 2 students, their teachers and a parent each were sent to Washington DC to participate in the National Recognition Event where their writings were placed in the Library of Congress. They also met with Utah's Congressional Delegation.

UBJJ Attendance – Reg handed out a chart showing attendance of board meetings for the past year and recognized Gaby Anderson for attending every meeting over the past year.

Annual Report to Governor/Legislature - Reg briefly discussed the UBJJ 2010 Annual Report. The report outlines UBJJ's priority program areas, a listing of current funding projects and the UBJJ outcome measures evaluation. The Board suggested keeping the same format and updating the information.

Site Visit Assignments -

Outcome Evaluation	Adam Cohen, Spencer Larsen, Gaby Anderson
K – 6 Delinquency Prevention	Patrick Garcia
Refugee Family & Academic Support	Van Nguyen
Project StepUp	Pat Berckman, Charri Brummer
Choices	Spencer Larsen
Compliance Monitoring	Judge Michie
Jail Removal	Judge Michie
Connections	Troy Rawlings, Shirlee Silversmith
High Risk Substance Abuse Treatment	Jim Marchel, Gini Highfield

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17, 2011, Utah State Capitol Complex, Copper Room, 8 am – 9:30 am